IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

APRIL 13, 1880.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Platt, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Nehemiah Ford for a pension, have carefully examined the same, and report:

The petitioner served as a private in Company G, First Regiment Delaware Cavalry, from the date of his enlistment, April 29, 1864, to the date of his discharge, June 30, 1865, being mustered out with his company. He applied for a pension May 7, 1878, for disease of the lungs, alleged to have been contracted in the service. His application was rejected October 21, 1878, upon the ground that no record exists of the alleged disability, and the petitioner was unable to furnish medical testimony showing the existence of the alleged disability while in the service. Petitioner received no treatment by a physician until 1877, and, although three of his comrades testified that his lungs were affected during his service, the committee are of opinion that it is not sufficiently established that his present disability was contracted in service, and therefore recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be denied.